

**“We may have come over on
different ships, but we’re all in the
same boat now.”**

—Whitney Young

“Accomplishments have no color.”

—Leontyne Price

**“Civilization is the process in which one
gradually increases the number of people
included in the term “we” or “us” and at the
same time decreases those labeled “you” or
“them” until that category has no one left in it.”**

—Howard Winters

**“Collective fear stimulates herd
instinct, and tends to produce
ferocity toward those who are not
regarded as members of the herd.”**

—Bertrand Russell

“Diversity is the one true thing we all have in common. Celebrate it every day.”

—Anonymous

“Diversity: the art of thinking independently together.”

—Malcolm S. Forbes

“I look forward confidently to the day when all who work for a living will be one with no thought to their separateness as Negroes, Jews, Italians or any other distinctions.”

—Martin Luther King, Jr.

**“If I am not for myself, who is for me?
And if I am only for myself, what am I?
If not now, when?”**

—Rabbi Hillel

“If you judge people, you have no time to love them.”

—Mother Theresa

“Remember no one can make you feel inferior without your consent.”

—Eleanor Roosevelt

“Prejudice is a burden that confuses the past, threatens the future, and renders the present inaccessible.”

—Maya Angelou

“The mind does not take its complexion from the skin.”

—Frederick Douglas

**“The real death of America will
come when everyone is alike.”**

—James T. Ellison

**“The war we have to wage today
has only one goal and that is to
make the world safe for diversity.”**

—U Thant

**“There are no elements so diverse
that they cannot be joined in the
heart of a man.”**

—Jean Giraudoux

**“There never were in the world two
opinions alike, no more than two hairs
or two grains; the most universal quality
is diversity.”**

—Michel de Montaigne



“We all should know that diversity makes for a rich tapestry, and we must understand that all the threads of the tapestry are equal in value no matter what their color.”

—Maya Angelou



“We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.”

—Martin Luther King, Jr.



“We need diversity of thought in the world to face the new challenges.”

—Tim Berners-Lee



“What we have to do ... is to find a way to celebrate our diversity and debate our differences without fracturing our communities.”

—Hillary Clinton



“We are all different, which is great because we are all unique. Without diversity life would be very boring.”

—Catherine Pulsifer

“From the very beginning you are being told to compare yourself with others. This is the greatest disease; it is like a cancer that goes on destroying your very soul because each individual is unique, and comparison is not possible.”

—Osho

“We need to give each other the space to grow, to be ourselves, to exercise our diversity. We need to give each other space so that we may both give and receive such beautiful things as ideas, openness, dignity, joy, healing, and inclusion.”

—Max de Pree

“A lot of different flowers make a bouquet.”

—Muslim Origin

“Prejudices, it is well known, are most difficult to eradicate from the heart whose soil has never been loosened or fertilised by education: they grow there, firm as weeds among stones.”

—Charlotte Brontë, Jane Eyre

“It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences.”

—Audre Lorde, Our Dead

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